

THE Popes Picture



Drawn to the Life, by

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I. **T**hat *Rome* is *Babylon*, and the Pope *Antichrist*, are things now so evident and notorious, that few question it: But that so many Thousands, which live under the Romish Jurisdiction should abide in so gross ignorance, as to continue courting that old and withered Strumpet, may justly seem a marvel, were it not that the common people are kept in such miserable ignorance, being deprived of the soul-enlightening Word of God, and enjoined to pin their Faith on the Priests lieve: And the more knowing sort of them, are by Gods just judgment given over to strong delusions to believe a lye, as the Apostle *Paul* long since foretold. 2 *Thes.* 2. 11. Which Prophecy as it is in many other things fulfilled; so especially in such prodigious Blaspheemies as are not only published, but believed, and entertained with great applause among them. Many instances might be given; but take one only instead of all, wherein they affirm that Christ imprinted his five wounds upon *Francis* of *Assise*, the Fryer, as if he also were to suffer for the World, and redeem man-kind: Whereupon *Turfellin* the Jesuite made these Verses.

*Exue Franciscum tunica laceroq; cucullo,
Qui Franciscus erat, jam modo Christus*

(erat.

Francisci exuvias, si qua licet, indue Christ-

(um,

Jam Franciscus erat, qui modo Christus

(erat.

Strip *Francis* from his Coat, and Cowl,

(call nak't, and you shall see,

He that even now *St. Francis* was, to

(Christ will turned be.

Again put *Francis* Coat, and Cowl on

(Christ, and (mark the Lye)

He that even now Christ Jesus was,

(will *Francis* be the *Wine*.

But that you may the better see what manner of persons the Papists, yea Popes themselves have been, what their lives, and what their deaths, read these examples following.

1. Pope *John* the Thirteenth was a Whoremaster, an Adulterer, Incestuous, a Gamester, and Extortioner : Of some of his Cardinals he put out their eyes, from some he cut out their tongues, some their fingers, some their noses, and privy members : He ordained Deacons in a Stable, committed Incest with two of his Sisters : At Dice he call'd to the Devil for help, and drank an health to him : For Money he made Boys Bishops ; lay with his Fathers Concubines ; ravished Maids and Wives ; lay with his own Mother, made his Palace a-Stews ; at length being found in the act of Adultery, he was slain by the Womans Husband. *Sympt.*

2. Pope *Sylvester* the second was a great Conjuror, and by the help of the Devil obtained the Popedom ; He enquiring of the Devil how long he should live ? was answered, till he should say Mass in *Jerusalem* : In the Lent after, as he was saying Mass in the Chappel of St. *Cross*, he suddenly fell sick ; and remembering that the Chappel was called *Jerusalem*, he perceived how he was couzened by the Devil : He commanded his Cardinals that after his death, they should cut his body in pieces, and so bury him, having before bequeathed his Soul to the Devil : It is commonly reported, that by the rattling of his bones in his Tomb, is portended the death of the Pope. *Sympt.*

3. Pope *Benedict* the Ninth, attained to the Popedom by Magick, and practised Inchantments, and Conjurat[i]on in Woods, after an horrible manner, and by Magical art used to allure Women to his Lust ; and being in fear of the Emperour, whom he had much abused, sold his Popedom for Fifteen hundred pound weight of Gold : And going into a Forrest to practice his Sorceries the more privately, the Devil strangled him to death. *Sympt.*

4. Pope *Hildebrand* attaining to his *Papacy* by unlawful means, set the whole Christian World into a combustion. He was a Murderer, a Poisoner, a Conjuror, and a Consulter with familiar Spirits. As he rose out of his seat to excommunicate the Emperour *Henry* the Fourth, his seat (being newly made of great Timber) rent, and shivered in pieces : Afterwards he hired one to knock the Emperour on the Head as he was at prayers : Enquiring of the Host for an answer against the Emperour, because it would not speak, he threw it into the fire, and burnt it ; and after many such outrageous Villanies, he was deposed and banished ; after which he wandred as a vagabond, without comfort,

without help, without hope, in a pitiful estate, yet pitied of no Man, travelling under the unsupportable burthen of a restless Conscience, and at last died for grief. *Symps.*

5. Pope *Boniface* the Eighth, was a most proud and turbulent Man, who took upon him to give, and take away Kingdoms at his pleasure. He excommunicated *Philip* King of *France*, and his posterity to the fourth generation, for making a Decree that no Money should be carried out of his Country to *Rome*: But the King sent the Steward of his house and a Noble man of *Rome*, whom the Pope had driven out of his inheritance, to publish his appeal to the next general Council, who seizing upon the Pope, spoiled his treasures, and set him upon a wanton Colt, with his face towards the tail, and so made him a ridiculous spectacle to all the people; whereupon he fell into so cruel a frenzie that he eat his own hands, and died miserably: Of whom it was said, that he enter'd like a Fox, reign'd like a Lion, and died like a Dog. *Symps.*

6. Pope *Urban* the sixth was a most cruel, and bloody Man; he caused one of his Cardinals which had displeased him, to be slain; five others of them to be sowed up in Sacks, and cast into the Sea; three more of them in the presence of all the people to be knocked on the head, and their bodies to be dried in an Oven, and carried in Chests about with him, with their Red hats set upon the same: But shortly after, as he was with much greediness gathering Money, he fell from his Mule, and so bruised himself, that he languished thereof for Twenty seven days, dying by degrees, and so suffering the pains which he caused his Cardinals to endure. *Symps.*

7. Pope *Sixtus* the Fourth, most unjustly vexed all *Italy* with Wars, and dissentions. One of his own writers saith, that amongst all the Bawds of these latter days that built Brothel-houses, this Pope surmounted them all: Who at *Rome* erected Stews of double abomination, one of Women, the other of &c. and allowed the whole family of the Cardinal of *St. Lucy*, in the three hot Months of Summer free leave to use Sodomitry: He caused every Whore to pay him a certain rate, which yearly amounted to the sum of Forty thousand duckets, of whom these Epitaphs were made.

Sixte, jaces tandem, nostri discordia secti;

Sevisti in superos, nunc Acheronta move:

Sixte, jaces tandem, deslent tua busta cinedi,

Scortaq;, lenones, alea, vina, venus.

Another.

*Gonde prisce Nero, vineat te crimine Sixtus,
Hic scelus omne simul claudipit, & vitium.*

Acts and Mon.

8. Pope *Innocentius* the Fourth, a bloody, and turbulent Man ; after many wicked and abominable pranks, as he was in *Naples*, a voice was heard in his Court, *Surge miser, & ueni ad iudicium* ; Arise O wretch, and come to judgment. And the day following he was found dead in his bed, all black and blew, as though he had been beaten with bats. *Symph.*

9. Pope *Alexander* the Sixth, was endued with most filthy conditions, void of Sincerity, Truth, Faith, and Religion ; was full of unquenchable covetousness, unreasonably ambitious ; more than barbarously cruel, and had a burning desire of advancing his Bastards, whereof he had many : He set Benefices and promotions to sale ; he poison'd *John Michael*, Cardinal of *Venice*, at *Rome*, for his Gold and treasures. In adulteries he was most filthy, and abominable ; in Tyranny most merciless, in Magick most cunning, and therefore execrable ; he poisoned his own Father ; he committed Incest with his own Sister *Lucretia* ; he poisoned *Zomes*, brother to *Bajazet* the great Turk, being hired thereto by Two hundred Duckets, after he had sworn friendship to him ; he procured aid of the Turk against the King of *France* ; he caused the tongue, and hands of *Anthony Mancivel*, (a learned and prudent Man) to be cut off, for making an Oration, in reproof of his wickedness ; he never attempted any thing, but he first consulted with the Devil ; he was accustomed to poison any whom he disliked : But at last through the mistake of his Butler, had the poisoned Wine (which he had prepared for some of his Cardinals) put into his own hand, which he drinking off, with horrible crys and groans died immediately. *Symph. Guich. Bemb.*

10. Pope *Leo* the Tenth, admiring the huge Masses of Money, which by his Indulgences he had raked together, said unto Cardinal *Bembus* most Atheistically : *Vide quantum hec Fabula de Christo nobis profuit* : See what a deal of wealth we have gotten by this fable of Christ : And when he lay upon his death-bed, the same Cardinal rehearsing a Text of Scripture, to comfort him, he replied ; *Apaga his iuxta de Christo* : Away with these baubles concerning Christ. *Acts and Mon.*

11. Pope *Julius* the second, having raised a great Army against the *French*, as he was going out of *Rome* with it, he took his Keys, and threw them into the River *Tibur*, saying, that forasmuch as the Keys of *St. Peter* would not serve him to his purpose, he would betake himself to the Sword of *St. Paul*: Of which Pope it is observed, that partly by War, partly by Cursings, he was the cause of the death of Two hundred thousand Christians, in the space of Seven years. *Acts and Mon.*

12. Pope *Nicholas* the first, prohibited Marriage to the Clergy, saying, that it was more honest to have to do with many Women privately, than openly to take one Wife: Insomuch that a Priest of *Placentia*, being accused to have a Wife, and Children, was deprived of his Benefice; but proving the same Woman to be Wife to another Man, and but his Concubine, he was restored again. *Acts and Mon.*

13. *John* the Twenty fourth, was accused before the Council of *Constance* for Heresie, Symony, Murther, Poisonings, Cousenings, Adulteries, and Sodomy; which being proved against him, he was deposed, and imprisoned, whereupon, through vexation, and grief, he ended his wretched Life. *Acts and Mon.*

14. Pope *Julius* called for his Pork-flesh (which was forbidden him by his Physicians) and said that he would have it, *Ad desposito de dio*, in despite of God: And having appointed a cold Peacock, to be reserved for him, when he missed it the next meal, he grew into a great rage, and being requested not to be so angry for such a trifle, he answered; that if God was so angry for an Apple, why might not he be as angry for his Peacock. *Acts and Mon.*

15. Pope *John* the Twenty third calling a Council at *Rome* against the Godly Christians in *Bohemia*: When the Council was set, the Mass of the Holy Ghost sung, and the Pope placed in his Chair, there came flying in amongst them an ugly Owl, with an ill-favour'd hooting, and set her self upon a cross-beam just over against the Pope, casting her staring eyes upon him; whereupon the whole company began to marvel, and whispering each to other, said, behold, the Spirit is come in the likeness of an Owl: The Pope himself blushed at the matter, and began to sweat, fret, and fume, and so being in great distraction dissolved the Council for the present; yet afterwards calling an other Sessions, when they were met, in came the Owl as before, still looking stedfastly upon the Pope; whereupon he was more ashamed, saying, that he could no longer abide the sight of her, and commanded her to
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be driven away with bats, and shoutings; but by no means could the be removed, till with the blows of the sticks thrown at her, at length she fell down dead amongst them. *Acts and Mon.*

16. *Boniface* the eighth being plundered by the *French*, was found to have more wealth than all the Kings of *Enrope*, could have raised by one year revenue. *Herdfield.*

17. The Popes have a Book called *Taxa Camere Apostolice*, wherein men may know the rate of any sin; upon what terms a Man may keep a VVhore, be a Sodomite, murder his Father, &c.

18. *Anno Christi* 1531. began the Council at *Lateran*, which *Bellarmino* calls the seventeenth General Council. In the first Sessions, the Bible was laid at the Popes feet, and he was called Prince of all the VVorld, the successour of *Peter*, and not inferior to *St. Peter*; yea, in their speeches to him, they said, the respect of your Divine Majesty, &c. they called him Priest, and King, most like unto God, and who was to be adored by all people: The Pope was said to have the place of the everlasting King on earth, albeit with unequal merits: And when *Leo* the Tenth was made Pope, Bishop *Bignius* comforted the Church, saying, weep not, daughter *Sion*, for behold, the Lion of the Tribe of *Judah* cometh, the root of *David*. Behold, the Lord hath raised up unto thee a Saviour and Deliverer. And turning his speech to the Pope, he said, O most blessed *Leo*, we have waited for thee, our Saviour: We have hoped that thou our Deliverer wast coming: Take thy Sword and Buckler, and rise to our defence. And again, in thee, the only true and Lawfull Vicar of Christ, that saying shall be fulfilled, All nations shall serve him: Nor are we ignorant, that all Power in Heaven and Earth is given unto thee.

19. *Henry* the Fourth, Emperour of *Germany*, came in the midst of a very hard VVinter, on his bare feet, to the Castle of *Canusium*, and stood there fasting from Morning till Night, for three days together, waiting for the judicial sentence of the Pope, and craving pardon of him; which yet he could not obtain by his own, or others tears, or by the intercession of any Saint, save only of a certain Harlot, with whom the Pope was then taking his filthy pleasure. *Imper. Hist.* The Emperour was mistaken, who thought that the Pope could be pacified by fasting, and Prayer: This god required another kind of sacrifice then these.

20. *Anno Christi* 1550, Pope *Julius* the Third, had a young man called *Innocent*, whom he kept as a Catamite, whilst he was Legate in *Bononia*, and when he had gotten the Popedom, he made this *Innocent* a Cardinal, in despite of all the rest, and used him

him as formerly. Under this gearlish Pope, there rose up one *Jerome Mutius*, who wrote in defence of Sodomy, which Book was Licensed by the Pope: And one *John a Cissa*, a *Florentine*, Bishop of *Beneventum*, in *Italian Verse*, calls this unnatural sin, a Divine Work, impudently affirming, that he was pleased with no other Venerie. He was a great imitator of the Popes. At this time a Libel was scattered up and down *Rome*, that *Jupiter* made much of his *Ganimede*, though he was a deformed one. *Chron. Germanicum*.

21. *Alexander* the Sixth, committed Fornication with *Famefia*, the Sister of *Paul* the Third, upon condition, that he should make the said *Paul* a Cardinal, and Bishop of *Hestia*; he committed incest also with his own Sister *Lucretia*: Whence was set upon her Tomb:

*Hoc jacet in tumulo Lucretia nomine, sed. re.
Tham, Alexandri filia, sponsa, nupta.*

22. *Paul* the Third, who had prostituted his Sister to the said *Alexander*, committed Incest with another of his own Sisters, and afterwards poisoned her, because she loved others better than him. *Nicholas Quenens* finding this *Alexander* committing uncleanness with his Wife, *Laura Famefia*, and *Alexander's* Niece, he gave him such a wound with his Dagger, that he carried the mark of it to his Grave. He also solicited another modest and beautiful Virgin, who was his Niece, to uncleanness: And that he might solely enjoy his Daughter *Constantia*, he poisoned her Husband, *Bosius Sfortia*.

23. *Anno Christi* 854, *John* the Eighth, for the filthiness of his Life, proved *Rome* to be that Whorish *Babylon* spoken of in the *Revelations*: Concerning whom, hear what *Platina* saith, *Jolana* an English Woman, but by parentage of *Mentz* in *Germany*, changing her sex, when she was young, went in the company of her sweet heart to *Athens*, where she studied under a good Mistress, and profited so much in learning, that from thence going to *Rome*, she met with few that were equal to her in learning; and by her publick Lectures and Disputations, she procured so much favour, that when Pope *Leo* was dead, she was chosen Pope. But afterwards, committing Whoredom with one of her Servants, and the time of her delivery drawing nigh, as she was going to the *Lateran Church*, she fell in Travail, and brought forth a Child, between the Theatre, which is called *Nero's Colof-*

sus, and *St. Clements*, and presently dyed in the second year of her Popedom, and in the fourth day of the first month, and was buried privately. Whence, whensoever the Pope goes to the *Lateran Church*, he shuns this way, out of a detestation of this wicked fact; and whensoever a new Pope is chosen, he is set in a Chair which hath a hole in the bottom, and the last Deacon that passes by, feels his genitals. This is attested by Fifty Latin Authors, and some Greeks. He that makes tryal, cries, *Mas nobis Dominus est*.

24. *Anno Christi* 1464. *Paul* the Second committed Incest with his own Daughter; of whom these Verses were made.

Pontificis Pauli testes cur Roma requiris?

Filia qua genuit sat docet esse marem.

Sanctum non possum; Patrem te dicere possum,

Cum videam natam, Paule secunde, tuam.

25. *Anno Christi* 1484. Pope *Innocent* the Eighth, scraped together a mighty Mass of Money, by Ecclesiastical Livings and Indulgences, pretending War against the Turks, but he divided it all amongst his Bastards. He (saith *John Stella*) publicly boasted of his Children, whom by all means he sought to enrich: Of whom were made these Verses.

Quid quæris testes, sit mas an femina Cibo?

Respice natorum, pignora certa, gregem,

Osio, Nocens, pueros genuit, totidemq; puellas,

Hunc merito possis dicere, Roma, patrem.

26. Pope *Paul* the Third, had a Catalogue of Forty five thousand VVhores that paid him a yearly revenue for the enjoyment of their Lusts. The VVhores in *Rome*, used weekly to pay a piece of Money call a *Julius*, to the Pope, which yearly amounted to above Fourty thousand Ducats.

27. A certain Cardinal in *Rome*, much blamed a Painter for colouring the visages of *Peter*, and *Paul* too red, to whom he tartly replied; that he Painted them so, as blushing at the lives of those, who stiled themselves their successors.

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